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Integrated Curriculum comes to an end

Nicole Hartkemeyer
Staff Writer

Following the request of the former dean of faculty, the Integrated First Year Curriculum for Science, Engineering and Mathematics, (IC) is no longer with us. Several factors helped to make the decision to end the 11 year program devoted to improving the education of future engineers.

When it first began, IC was meant to be an enhanced tool for new engineering students. It was designed to better pull together the technical and scientific areas of study the freshman would encounter in their first year of college courses. It accomplished this by integrating common themes students learn about in various classes, into one class that discussed the idea with different points of view.

For example, freshmen year math and physics classes study vectors as a common theme. Both classes start from the basics and work their way up. In IC, vector basics are explained once and built on by looking at it with

physics and math applications. The curriculum concentrated on making sure students understood there were relationships and common themes within the different subjects they studied. Teamwork, peer teaching, and job-related skills were also a vital learning concept of the program.

Funded by the Lilly Foundation, a Foundation Coalition was developed to improve programs and better prepare student engineers for their future studies and jobs. Freshmen and sophomore curriculums were introduced to perform these goals. Some of the schools involved in the coalition include Texas A&M, Arizona State, and the University of Alabama. Rose-Hulman still utilizes the sophomore curriculum program.

Over the 11 years, IC had failed to grow in size. There hasn't been enough new students interested in trying out the program. Another problem was that the students and faculty believed there was too much additional work involved with the IC track as opposed to the regular curriculum courses; not only for the stu-

dents but faculty as well. Finding interested faculty proved to be a growing difficulty. One undesirable aspect of the program was accepting membership in the program meant students couldn't test out of any subjects.

Generally, targeted students were those without significant college credit or AP exam scores. Over the years, students' course needs have changed. Some courses offered in the curriculum are not required for all majors; the courses freshman take now have much more variation from person to person.

Over the eleven year span IC



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Faculty, staff, and students gather at the White Chapel for a prayer vigil to remember the lives lost in this week's tragedies.

was offered, 950 students and faculty have been a part of the program here at Rose-Hulman. These students and faculty learned a lot through the program. Faculty members, working

closely with other fields of study, were able expand their knowledge beyond their PhD's and students were able to see traditional engineering studies in a new light.



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Rose students hurry to finish the homecoming bonfire as Friday night approaches.

Computer Science Department undergoes reformatting

Chris Scribner
Staff Writer

It is well known that if a company or institution is to function, it must stay up to date with the constantly changing world around it. Computers are one of the most rapidly changing fields today, and likewise, keeping up with those changes is a high-priority goal if a business is to stay competitive or an institution is to provide a meaningful education.

To match the constantly changing world, the Rose-Hulman Computer Science Department is tweaking its education program to adequately prepare students for the employment market.

To much rejoicing, CS 100 is being phased out of the program. It will be replaced by CS 120, a more extensive course which counts for 4 credit hours rather than the 2 credit hour CS 100 course. Graphical Communications is also no longer required for the CS major. The new computer science intro sequence is CS 120, CS 220, and CS 230 (Fundamentals of Computing I, II, and III). The sequence is

offered in three cycles: spring-fall-winter, fall-winter-spring, and winter-spring-winter.

For students under the old graduation requirements, CS 231 will not be offered again. If a major requires this course, CS 120 may be taken in its place. CS 233 will be offered for the last time fall term, 2001. If this course is required for a major, CS 220 may be taken to fulfill the requirement.

Some courses in the CS curriculum are overcrowded or not offered frequently enough due to understaffing. To alleviate this problem, the department is seeking two new professors. Hiring CS faculty can be difficult as the allure of money draws candidates to more profitable professions. Dr. Young requests students attend presentations by candidates and talk with them to assess their worthiness of becoming a member of the Rose-Hulman faculty.

Along with the understaffing issue, the department is considerably cramped. With a scant 2,400 square feet available, the CS facilities are far from spacious. Plans are being developed to possibly move the department to the auditorium of

Moench Hall, but this change wouldn't occur until the end of the 2003 school year or beyond. The move would upgrade the department to a more workable 8,000 square feet.

The computer resources have received reinforcements, with an array of new machines and upgrades including a load-balanced cluster of nine 500 MHz SunBlade 100 machines. Voodoo and Phantom have been upgraded to three 450 MHz UltraSparc-II processors each, and three new 500 MHz SunBlade 100 machines with Expert 3D-Lite graphics cards have been added to the labs.

At the end of this academic year, Dr. Young is to retire from his position as department head, as well as from teaching. Internal candidates are encouraged to apply for the position, but a national, possibly international search for a department head is to begin this year to find a candidate who can, in the words of Dr. Young, "take the department to a new level." It is still up in the air as to his plans next year. Details about the search for the department head will be available at a future date.

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WEATHER WATCH

FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

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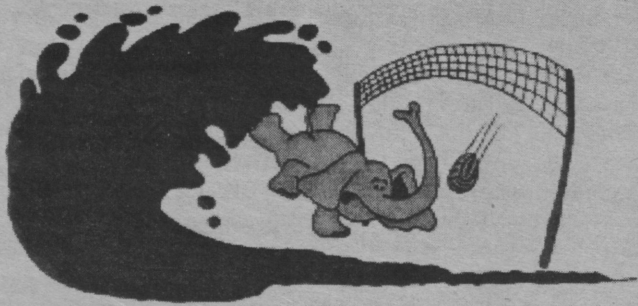
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CAMPUS CALENDAR

				14		15
				Closed Rush		Closed Rush
				Blue Key Pep Rally & Bonfire		Homecoming
				Disco Deming		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Closed Rush	Closed Rush	Blood Drive	Blood Drive			WVEA Downtown
						Street Party (all students)
						Intervarsity Unkegger 9-11 pm
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	Panhellenic Recruitment Party Closed Mens's Rush		Panhellenic Recruitment Party 5-11 pm	Graduate School Seminar	Fraternity First Formals	FAS Singing Hoosiers
30	October 1	2	3	4	5	6
	Panhellenic Recruitment Party Closed Men's Rush	Panhellenic Bid Night 6-8 pm	Circle K Meeting 5:45pm			Midterm progeess reports

STUDENT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS

MUD VOLLEYBALL



Saturday, September 22nd

Benefiting Ryves Hall. Teams of 6.
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Email SAA@rose-hulman.edu for an entry form and more
information.

Don't Be Afraid To Get A Face Full!

Homecoming Schedule

Schedule of Events Friday

Golf Registration

8:15 a.m. - Country Club
9:15 a.m. - Hulman Links

Pep Rally, Queen Coronation, Fireworks
8:30 p.m. - Cook Stadium, Phil Brown Field

Bonfire

9:30 p.m. - Field East of Moench Hall Parking Lot

Schedule of Events Saturday

Awards Breakfast

9:00 a.m. - Vonderschmitt Dining Room, Hulman Union
FREE TO ALL ALUMNI AND ONE GUEST

Department Open Houses

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Throughout Campus

Rosie's Kid Zone

Noon - 4 p.m. Near Cook Stadium

Football Game Rose vs Univ. of Chicago

2:00 p.m. - Phil Brown Field
50+ Club Reception Dinner
5:15 p.m. - Reception 6 p.m. - Dinner,
Vonderschmitt Dining Room, Hulman Union

Alumnifest

5:30 p.m. - Tent near Cook Stadium

SUBMISSIONS

Events may be published in *Events* by any organization or individual. Information on club meetings, lectures, speeches, and athletic events, including announcements of times and locations may be submitted to *Campus Calendar*, in care of Dale Long, associate director of communications, at Box 14 or extension 8418. More detailed articles containing plans, agendas, and specific information should be submitted to the *Rose Thorn*.

All submissions must be made by Wednesday at noon in order to be published in *Events* in the *Rose Thorn* on Friday.

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Laura Hemming
Crystal Landreth
Natalie Morand
Steve Reed
Brandon Reeser

Commuters
Danielle Cooper

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Vincent Franco
Scott Herber
Jason LaBella
Ron Zuckerman

Mees
Katie Herber
Jake Klug

New Hall
Nick Clark
David Dupac
Jessica Farmer
Andrea Nowling
Zachary Roth

Scharpenberg
Pete Smith

Skinner
Melva Lucas

Speed Hall
Noppon Chaijaroonrat
Sam Forester
Craig McRoberts
Scott Tourville

Please join us this holiday season to help re-establish your faith, renew old acquaintences, and establish new bonds with your extended Jewish family.

L'Shana Tova!

HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Rosh Hashanah		
Erev Rosh Hashanah	Mon. Sept. 17	8:00 p.m.
Rosh Hashanah Morning	Tues., Sept. 18	10:00 a.m.
Tashlich Ceremony for adult & children (on the river landing behind the YWCA)	Tues., Sept. 18	3:00 p.m.
Rosh Hashanah Morning II	Wed. Sept. 19	10:00 a.m.
Yom Kippur		
Erev Yom Kippur	Wed. Sept. 26	8:00 p.m.
Yom Kippur Morning	Thurs., Sept. 27	10:00 a.m.
Yom Kippur Youth Service	Thurs., Sept. 27	2:00 p.m.
Yom Kippur Israel Study & Reflection		3:00 a.m.
Yom Kippur Afternoon Services	Thurs. Sept 27	
First Service		4:00 p.m.
Yizkor		5:15 p.m.
Neilah		5:45 p.m.
Break Fast		To follow

MATH CORNER PROBLEM OF THE WEEK

Problem:

A stereographic projection is a map T from the unit sphere $x^2+y^2+z^2=1$ onto to a plane defined as follows:

Let p be a point on the sphere, for instance the north pole $p=(0,0,1)$. Then for a point q on the sphere, which is not equal to p, we define $T(q)$ to be the intersection of the line through p and q which intersects the plane $z=0$. [Example: The point $(2/3,1/3,2/3)$ is mapped to the point (2,1) in the xy-plane.]

Determine the image of a circle of longitude and a circle of latitude under stereographic projection. [Bonus: Describe the image of any circle on the sphere. A circle on a sphere is the points a constant distance r from a given point.]



Contest Rules:

- Contest is open to all students at Rose-Hulman.
- The best solution as judged by members of the math faculty will be awarded two new dollar coins. (See solution criteria below)
- In case of a tie, each winner will be awarded a new one dollar coin.
- Solutions must be submitted by 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday to David Finn at G 213.
- If no correct solution is submitted. No prize will be awarded.

Solution Criteria:

- Solution must be correct.
- Solution must be documented or explained.
- Clarity of solution. Solution should be easily understood.
- Elegance of solution. Number of steps should be minimized without affecting clarity.

Available on the web at
<http://www.rose-hulman.edu/~finn/mathcorner.html>

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2001 Homecoming Queen Candidates



Ashley Fields
Chi Omega Sorority

Ashley Fields is a senior electrical engineering major at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology from Dillsboro, IN. She is currently serving as president of Chi Omega Fraternity, vice president of Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity, and has membership in Blue Key, Circle K, IEEE, and is on the career fair team. Ashley once held office as Panhellenic president, and has volunteered in several philanthropic charities including those that benefit the American Cancer Society, Race for the Cure, the Light House Mission, and Read-A-Loud. She wishes to receive a juris doctorate degree following her graduation from Rose-Hulman in May and plans to attend law school in the fall of 2002. Ashley is deeply honored to be selected as Chi Omega's homecoming queen candidate and is grateful for being a part of a distinguished group that has given so much to her, Rose-Hulman, and the community.



Fiona Haulter
Phi Gamma Delta

Fiona Haulter is a senior civil engineering student from French Lick, Indiana. She is a proud member of Chi Omega and serves as Vice President for Habitat for Humanity. She is also a member of ASCE and ACI. She would like to thank the men of Phi Gamma Delta for nominating her.



Jennifer Meyer
Delta Sigma Phi

Jennifer Meyer is a Senior Chemical Engineering major, representing Delta Sigma Phi. She is from Cincinnati, Ohio. Her parents are Douglas and Janet Meyer, also from Cincinnati. Jennifer is involved in many activities on the Rose-Hulman campus. These activities include the women's varsity soccer team for which she is co-captain, Delta Delta Delta Social Fraternity, and Phi Alpha Delta, a pre-law fraternity. She has also been involved in choir and drama. In addition to these activities, Jennifer is a member of many honor societies including Tau Beta Pi, Order of Omega, Omega Chi Epsilon, and Alpha Lambda Delta.



Adrianne Henderson
Delta Delta Delta

Adrianne is a junior chemical engineering major and biology minor from Terre Haute. She is the daughter of John and Ann Henderson and the eldest of their three children. On campus, Adrianne holds offices in both the Residence Hall Association and Circle K. She is also a past officer and current member of Delta Delta Delta. Graduate school may be in her future followed by a career in the pharmaceutical industry. If she does not enroll in graduate school, she plans to enter into industry, and the first thing she wants to do is get a puppy.



Krista Elliott
Triangle Fraternity

Hi! My name is Krista Elliott. I am a senior mechanical engineering major from Brazil, IN. I am excited to be nominated by my good friends in Triangle Fraternity. Since I have been at Rose, I have been involved with several clubs and activities. I am an active member of Chi Omega sorority, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Society of Women Engineers, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, as well as SAC. After graduation I plan to attend graduate school for biomedical engineering. I have made a lot of good friends here at Rose, and being a representative on homecoming court is a great addition to the memories I have already made.



Jessica Gardner
Lambda Chi Alpha

My name is Jessica Gardner and I am a sophomore Mechanical Engineering major here at Rose-Hulman. I am originally from Charleston, Illinois and I attended Charleston High School where I was involved in Key Club, Speech and Drama, and the Academic Challenge Team. At Rose, I'm a member of Chi Omega Sorority, Society of Women Engineers, and I'm a Sophomore Advisor on one of the freshman floors this year. Also, I work at the new Coffee Shop

Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity colonizes at Rose

Natalie Morand
Staff Writer

This September, Rose-Hulman will charter a new chapter of the national organization, Phi Alpha Delta (P.A.D.). Phi Alpha Delta is an international law fraternity which has a Pre-Law Program to "assist undergraduate students to make an 'informed choice' in

selecting law as a career, deciding which law school to attend, and in preparing for the rigors of law school."

Advising the new Rose-Hulman organization is long-term pre-law advisor Dr. Bill Pickett. This year's officers are: Michael Dockins as President, Ashley Fields as Vice President, Ben Giant as Secretary, and Kelly Sullivan as Treasurer.

"Our foremost goal is to give

Rose-Hulman students a resource and assistance in their endeavors to enter law school," says President Michael Dockins. He continues, "I had a number of questions and concerns regarding the law school process, and I figured there might be other students with the same questions. Why not start a group and address these questions together and save some time?"

That is where P.A.D. began.

With the help of the International headquarters, Phi Alpha Delta hopes to hold some law seminars with local attorneys, travel to local law school conventions, and even shadow some local law attorneys. Phi Alpha Delta remains the only Law Fraternity and the only national legal organization of any kind with a national Pre-Law Program committed to meeting the needs of undergraduate students

interested in the law. The chartering ceremony for Rose-Hulman's chapter will take place on the afternoon of Saturday, September 29.

Phi Alpha Delta will be meeting no less than twice a quarter, and all meetings will be announced to the school so that all can attend. For additional information or to consider membership, please contact Michael Dockins.

New Applied Biology Degree: Supplying the future demand for biologists

Crystal Landreth
Staff Writer

Within the twenty-first century we will see many advances in drug discoveries, environmental management, gene therapy, and tissue engineering. It will be the biologists at the forefront of these new advances. Their research and discoveries will drastically impact our lives in the future.

To accommodate the future opportunities in biological-related occupations, Rose-Hulman has introduced the new Applied Biology Degree. What exactly is applied biology? The program will prepare graduates for professional careers in government and industrial research laboratories, and in the biotechnology and health-related industries.

Lee Waite, head of the Department of Applied Biology, noted that

Rose-Hulman students have always been successfully admitted to med school; however, the applied biology program will improve their preparation for a career in medicine.

Our health, our sustenance, and our environment are all based on biological processes. The importance of improvements in these subjects is obvious.

Rose-Hulman students are recognizing the necessities of biological

occupations. The school has witnessed a colossal increase in the number of students enrolled in biology courses. One hundred eighty two students were enrolled in biology courses during the past academic year compared to only 38 students two years ago. Eighteen students are currently enrolled as applied biology majors, eight females and ten males. The applied biology department was unable to recruit heavily last fall, due to the

uncertainty in the timeline for offering the AB B.S. degree; however, with a stronger recruiting effort this year, a large class of applied biologists is expected in 2002.

Like all of Rose-Hulman's B.S. degrees, the applied biology degree is expected to be a great success, producing the skilled biologist necessary to impact the future.

The Thorn wishes you a safe and enjoyable Homecoming!

Timmy Says Come To The
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TWISTER TOURNAMENT

Monday September 17
6:00PM On Speed Lawn

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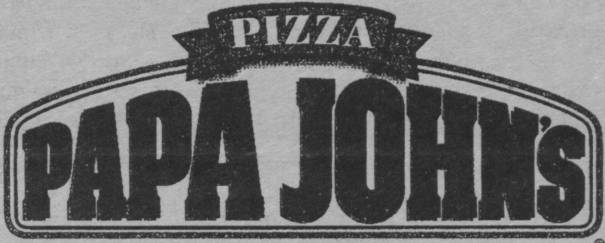
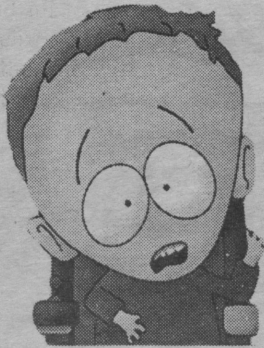
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INTERCAMBIO CULTURAL MAYA is a service project in

Mexico that combines work in a medical/dental/health education center and the construction of a small sewing center. There will be opportunities to live and work with the villagers, tour ancient ruins, and spend leisure time on the beach. It takes place December 6, 2001 through January 5, 2002. Applications will be accepted between September 1 and October 12. For more information contact United Campus Ministries, 321 N 7th Street, Terre Haute IN 47807, (812) 232-0186, winter2001@intercambio-maya.org

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luanne.tilstra@rose-hulman.edu, and/or stop by my office (E206).

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A Dark Day Dawns

Curtis Geen
Opinions Editor

American soil has been stained in possibly the worst act of terror in recorded history. Unimaginable in modern times, an unknown enemy has covered our country in a veil of darkness. This cowardly act must be avenged with a fury the world has never seen. The financial mesa of the world in a barrage of terror became a pile of smoldering rubble in a matter of minutes. The impenetrable Pentagon lost its invulnerability with the creation of a two hundred foot wide hole.

In the carnage following the impacts, people up 20, 50, even 100 stories were jumping to their impending death. The heat from the explosion vaporized any near the site of impact. The worst loss came as the south tower collapsed on the rescue workers below as they attempted to save their fellow Americans, killing hundreds if not thousands.

Such acts of terror should not go unpunished. Americans around the country are calling for blood. But who is to blame? The FBI suspects with 90% certainty that terrorist leader Osama bin Laden is the likely perpetrator of the attacks. Experts also say the

hijackers could not have coordinated with such expertise without a state sponsor.

Fingers immediately begin to point toward the illegitimate Taliban government in control of Afghanistan. But first evidence of their involvement must come to bear. The FBI already believes that four countries helped in the implementation of the hijacking. Even past allies such as Saudi Arabia and Egypt may have assisted bin Laden.

Once the United States finds confirmation of the facts, the military has an obligation to release the dogs of war. Those responsible for the killing of innocent

American civilians must pay the highest price, their lives. With a fury never seen in history, terrorist camps and organizations that support terrorists worldwide should see systematic destruction. American Special Forces, after locating the position of the guilty, should extract and imprison the perpetrators.

As President Bush made clear Tuesday night, "There will be no distinction between terrorists and those who harbor them." Any and all countries that support or harbor terrorists will be punished. But how? With the shock from the sudden and unexpected slaughter, Americans want blood, and blood

they will get. But as we wait for the government response we must all wait and allow fear to overcome our way of life.

Even though the Palestinians in the Middle East celebrate, steadfast we must stand. Some may take advantage of the fear evident in the ridiculous gas price spike and the three-hour lines. Americans must stand as one country and in one voice. Shout at the top of your lungs as Bill Pulman exclaimed in Independence Day, "We will not go quietly into the night. We will not give up without a fight. We will live on, we will survive," and we will stand firm as one.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Today marks one of the most tragic events in the history of the United States, comparable to some of our darkest hours in our nation's past. The events in New York and Washington DC are terrible, things that no one would ever conceive happening in this country.

Terrorism, in any form, serves another more devious purpose, the creation of doubt in the minds of citizens and civil unrest. The terror isn't from the act itself, but in making people believe that they are no longer secure in their own home, town, or nation.

Today, I saw some prime examples of what the true intentions of

this act were and how they manifested in many different ways. At gas stations all over Terre Haute, I witnessed lines and then asked fellow students how long they waited in line. The typical response that I received was about 45 minutes. My question was: Why? Why did you make that special trip to the gas station, to put in about 5-6 gallons of gas? They had no answer.

It was a panic. People honking horns and getting angry that they could not get their share, of what was perceived by them, as the last gasoline in the US. The price increase due to this lead to some stations putting regular gasoline at \$5.899. As reported by the news,

at a gas station in Terre Haute today, an argument broke out and when all was said and done, one person had shot another over their place in line to fill up on overpriced gasoline.

I witnessed a county sheriff arrive at the Shell station near Skinner to prevent a fight by those in line over raising the price of gas. Later, I overheard conversations regarding the stockpiling of food and other goods in the event of, "the end of the world." Educated people began talking about how Rose itself could be in danger. This panic, greed, and unrest, in an otherwise civilized society by educated people is the true goal of terrorism.

The tragedy today made many people lose some faith in this country, believing instead that the collapse of society and the American ideal was near. This couldn't be farther from the truth. The US government responded to this critical situation in a well rehearsed manner. The continuity of government was preserved by the relocation of elected officials to sites outside of target areas.

Done not in fear, but out of planning; to remove those public figures from harm's way and prevent further damage. Federal agencies followed their plans and shut down non-essential services. While the President was flying back from Florida on Air Force 1,

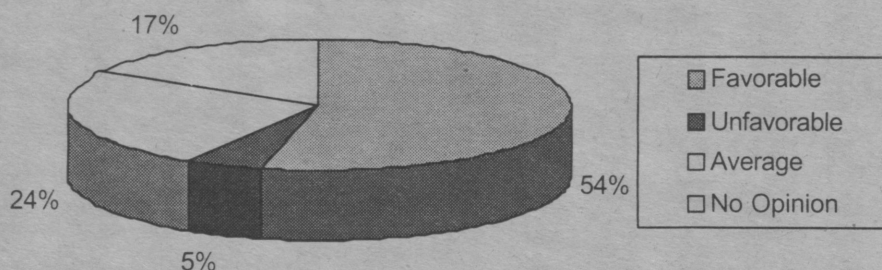
he had full knowledge of the situation as it developed due to the communications systems built into the plane. The actions were even then being put into motion to find the source of this attack and deal with it accordingly. The world will now take a stand and put those who orchestrated this tragedy to justice.

Whatever the outcome of this situation, let us not forget this terrible day and remember those who were affected. And God Bless America.

Matthew Domoradzki
ME, '02

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Do you approve of President Bush's handling of the country?



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Silver Side Up is golden

Jason Caron
Staff Writer

What comes from Canada? Well, so far, Canada has produced celebrities such as Shania Twain and Brian Adams. Quite soon, a group of four individuals may be blasting onto the American scene from our northern neighbor.

Nickelback was formed back in 1996 in the province of Vancouver by a pair of brothers, Chad (lead singer/guitarist) and Mike (bassist) Kroeger, along with their cousin Brandon (drums) and long-time friend Ryan Peake (rhythm guitar). Together, they released a seven-song demo named "*Hesher*" (which is derived from slurring the phrase "Hey, sure"). Soon after, they released their debut album titled "*Curb*" and followed up with a vigorous tour to support their works.

Later, Nickelback burned through six separate drummers before settling on their final and current drummer, Ryan Vikedal. Their releases were well received in Canada.

In July of 1998, they entered Green House Studios in Vancouver to record their sophomore album. Green House Studios has recorded such works as classics from Aerosmith and The Cult. Over the period of twenty days between the months of July and August, the band proceeded to hack out their newest works. The band tried to set the scene for their new release as a series of stories in music. When it was all said and done, the band had produced their second album, which they called "*The State*." The album was independently released

in Canada in January of 1999.

The releasing of their sophomore album marked a turning point for the band, as one of its tracks, "*Leader of Men*," hit the radio waves with a wallop, rising up to within the top twenty on the rock charts. Immediately following the rise of their newest hit, record labels began to compete vigorously for the band's contract. Eventually, Nickelback settled on Roadrunner Records.

Once again the band returned to the studios to record new material, this time under a separate label. Long before the album was released, they let another hit single loose onto the radio waves, where it has remained since.

"*How You Remind Me*" is one of the tracks played constantly on radio stations all over the country, building the listeners up to the release of their new album. On Tuesday, the wait was finally over.

"*Silver Side Up*" debuted next to releases by Babyface, Dream Theater, Jamiroquai, Cyndi Lauper, P.O.D., and ten movie soundtrack tracks this Tuesday (September 11th). Amidst the tragedy of Tuesday, music releases were probably the farthest from our

minds. But as the country recovers, we will once again return to our normal lifestyles.

Recently, I developed a theory called "First Track First Impressions." Basically, this consists of the fact that the first track on a new album will be the first music you hear when you press "Play" on your CD player or cassette player (does anybody still own one of those?), and thus will make you start drawing conclusions about the album as a whole. I usually try to keep an open mind

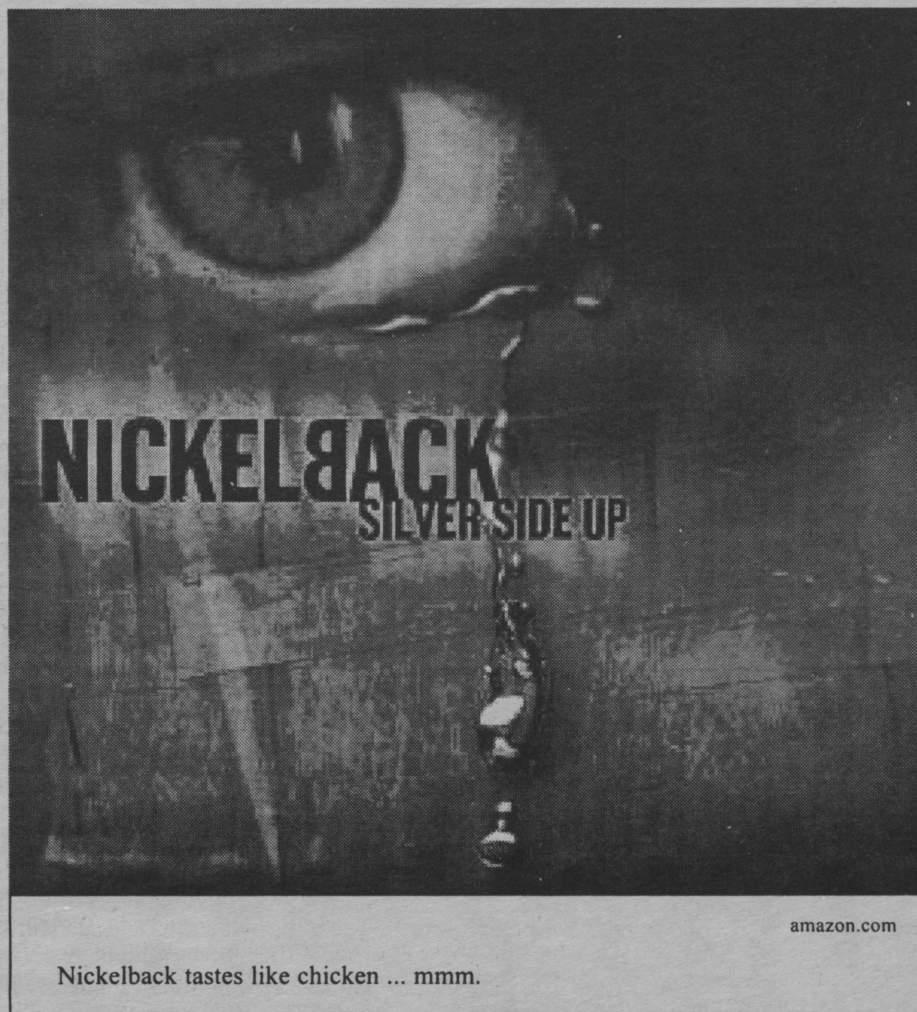
as I listen to music and not make any premature conclusions on the entire album based on one or several tracks. But regardless of this, it is my firm belief that some of the best bands create the basis of a good album based on the selection of their first track.

The FTFI on this particular album was nothing short of positive. The initial guitar riffs and strong percussion beats of "*Never Again*" made me immediately crank my stereo, long before the vocals began (Chad strangely

sounds like Gavin Rossdale from Bush). Then came the second track and current hit single "*How You Remind Me*" and I had to fight the urge to skip it. Seriously people, there is such a concept as OVERPLAYING a song so much that it is no longer enjoyable, even if the song is chart-worthy.

One of my friends complains that his roommate plays this song a hundred times a day. Yes, I realize that he is probably stretching a little, but I understand where he is coming from. To get around this, one must forget the fact that this song has been on the radio forever, and listen to it like it is the first time (if that is even possible). Once this is accomplished, the vocals of this song are amazing, and my head is soon bobbing to the beat again. I guess you could call this "Overpayment Recovery" or something.

Basically, every single track caught my interest on this new release in some way, shape, or form. My favorites are, of course, the first two tracks, "*Never Again*" and "*How You Remind Me*," as well as "*Too Bad*," "*Hollywood*," and "*Money Bought*." Each track features musical twists such as sudden tempo changes and electronic vocal tinkering that clearly enhance the quality of these songs. I don't say this a whole lot, but everybody should buy this album. It clearly meets the standards of having more than three good songs on it, plus every song is different enough to retain its originality while still packing a good foot-tapping beat. I must say I am impressed with Nickelback.



Nickelback tastes like chicken ... mmm.

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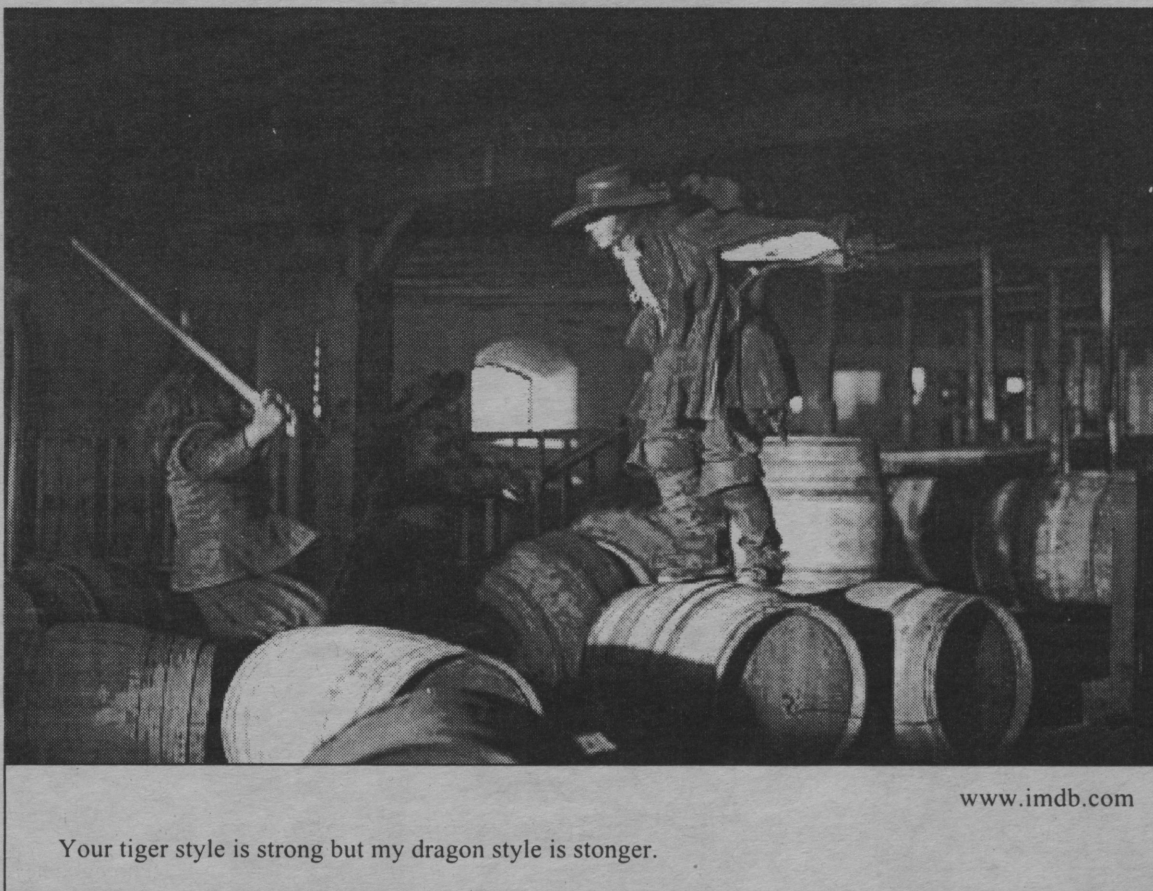
Get your 3 Musketeers from the candy aisle

Jason Caron
Staff Writer

The other day I saw a film called Lord of the Wu Tang. This is one of those cheesy karate movies starring Jet Li (Lethal weapon 4, Romeo Must Die). The subtitling done in this film was in white, which is unreadable half the time. One of the main characters is an old man tied to a ball, and I spent most of the movie trying to figure out which drug the director was on when filming this gem. While still confused by the whole experience I went to see The Musketeer, this week's number one grossing film, and Lord of the Wu Tang finally made sense.

I have wanted to see this film since I saw the preview. I was so excited about it. I love the story and like most of the movies that take place in this time period. And I thought this would be no different. I thought the fights would be cool and assumed there would be a sexy girl that plays the sex interest of the hero. How could a movie be better? I was very disappointed with what I saw.

The Musketeer, directed by Peter Hyams (End of Days), is another rendition of The Three Musketeers. It takes place in France at a time when the musketeers have been discredited and the country is on the brink of war. On top of this, the church is making a play for control of the nation. The army of the



Your tiger style is strong but my dragon style is stonger.

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church is lead by Febre, played by Tim Roth (Planet of the Apes, Four Rooms), a former musketeer. He would have easily taken control of France except for the efforts of D'Artagnan. D'Artagnan, played by Justin Chambers (The Wedding Planner), had his parents murdered in front of him by Febre and has

vowed revenge.

In the preview, you get the idea that Justin Chambers will be this awesome fighter. He, however, never seems to be upset, strong willed, or determined. I believe the character is supposed to have these characteristics, however, Justin Chambers always looks happy. He should

stick to playing cute guys trying to pick up J. Lo in romantic comedies and leave action to someone who can portray a man. Well, this might not be completely true because he is supposed to be with Mena Suvari and there is absolutely no sparks between the two of them. Also, has anyone seen this girl's head? She

looks like she has a thyroid problem. This is not sexy to me.

The other actors in the film seem to be there to collect a paycheck and move on to their next projects. Tim Roth was one of the few redeeming qualities of Planet of the Apes and he just doesn't seem menacing, and he plays the meanest man in the movie!

The fighting in the movie is amazing. The fight coordinator, Xiong Xin Xin (Crouching Tiger Hidden Dragon), is very good at his job. The only real problem his style doesn't make any sense in the film. I expected one of the characters to say, "Your dragon style is strong but my tiger style is stronger." in a poorly dubbed-over voice. The parts of the preview that look so cool are basically the coolest parts of the film. Which is completely disappointing.

The Musketeer is an adaptation of Alexander Dumas classic novel *The Three Musketeers*. This film is adapted from *The Three Musketeers* in much the same way as methane is adapted from cows. If you haven't guessed it already, my rating for this film is not as high as I would have liked it to be. So, on a scale of zero to four, where four is a classic and zero is Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 3: Turtles in Time, I give this film a single star. There just isn't anything engaging enough about this film to stop you from checking your watch multiple times, the kiss of death for any film.

This page is dedicated to all of the innocent victims of Tuesday's terrorist acts, and all of the rescuer workers who came and are still coming to their aid.

A New Day

Another day finds the dew on the grass,
The people bustling, and the streets filling.
No sign of danger enters her eyes as
The Statue views another sunrise.

The people come, the people go.
Smiling, carefree, they forget what Freedom means.
They board their planes in routine manner;
They enter the office like every other day.
Everything changes.

Panic overwhelms America.
Lightning strikes; Thunder sounds.
What happened?
Run, run, run for safety.
I hope my family is alright.
Run, run, run quickly.
Fire, dust, smoke blocks the way.

Lightning again.
America cries in fear.
Why?
Is this a nightmare?

A smile turns to a frown; a whisper to a scream.
A beautiful day now reduced to rubble.
The Statue winces in pain.
Her people, innocent, naive, are dying.

It topples.
Dark clouds blanket the sky.
Thousands trapped; thousands still run.
Then the next.
More dust, more screams.

Another crash, and yet another.
Two hundred sixty six people,
On route to the Golden state, perish.
She weeps.
America weeps with her.

Fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters.
Are they ok?
America prays and watches,
While across the globe they cheer.
Why do they celebrate our losses?
Why do they take joy in our pain?

Poem By:
Ryan Prince

No, there is no evil.
they carry the message of evil, they do not create.
they celebrate a victory, not Our loss.
No, there is no Holy War.
There is no war at all.
they are kamikazes, barbarians, cowards.

they have made a mistake.
they believe We will crumble.
they believe We will forfeit.
they are wrong.

Mistakes made, lessons learned.
America unites; the World unites.
There is no race, no black, no white, no yellow, no red.
There are no borders; no lines separate our pain.
The World weeps with us and condemns the act.
Our brothers north and south, our brothers east and west.
Share our pain and give us sympathy.

The sun casts shadows over a fallen skyline once again.
We ask no pity, we require no help.
Our land is damaged, not our pride.
Once again She stands up tall,
Her freedom wounded, not mortally.

A new day, moving on.
The birds still chirp. The sun still shines.
Dust settles, fires extinguish,
Attacks end, families reunite.
God still smiles upon Her.

We seek not revenge but justice.
The Americans join martyrdom, the terrorists forgotten.
Loved ones missed, never forgotten.
A people once divided, now united
Invincible, freedom progresses.
The World has won.
they have helped Our cause, not theirs.

